## Sunrise Environmental Service, Inc.

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Paul Simon, Chief New York/Caribbean Superfund Branch Office of Regional Counsel United States Environmental Protection Agency Region II 290 Broadway, 17<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10007-1866

RE: BCF Oil Refining, Inc. Site

Dear Mr. Simon,

By this letter, Sunrise Environmental Service; Inc. ("Sunrise") is responding to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's request for information pertaining to the BCF Oil Refining, Inc. site (the "BCF Site") in Brooklyn, New York.

Sunrise apologizes for any inconvenience that may have been occasioned by its delay in responding to this request. Sunrise is a sole proprietorship with very limited resources. Attempting to locate, gather, and compile the information requested was extremely time consuming. This task was made even more difficult because of the untimely passing on January 29, 1999, of my father, who was the President and sole officer of Sunrise.

The following are Sunrise's responses based on the information that has been located to date.



- 1a. Correct legal name is: SUNRISE ENVIRONMENTAL INC.

  Current mailing address: P.O. Box 309, Elmwood Park, N.J. 07407

  Operating name: SUNRISE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE, INC.
- 1b. The president of Sunrise is Dolores Wiarda. She became president and owner of Sunrise on 01/29/99, due to the laws of intestacy in New Jersey, because of the untimely passing of Peter Wiarda on that date. Peter Wiarda was the president and sole officer of Sunrise prior to his death.
- 1c. Sunrise is a corporation in the state of New Jersey that was started on 03/24/82. Its agent for process was Peter Wiarda, now deceased.
- 1d. Not applicable
- 1e. Not applicable.
- If Sunrise is and was a licensed transporter. Sunrise used to transport oil and water waste to the New York state licensed BCF and Calleia site, as well as other licensed disposal facilities. Sunrise does not currently conduct any business with BCF or Calleia.
- 2a. Based on the records that we have been able to locate to date, the types of oil transported by Sunrise to BCF are as follows: #2 oil, water, and crankcase oil.
- 2b. To the best of our knowledge, and the records that we have been able to locate, the total volume of liquids transported, tested, and accepted by BCF for 1994 was 56,243 gallons. The breakdown on the total volume of liquid sent to BCF for 1994 is as follows:

#2 Heating Oil 33,966 Gallons
Water 20,053 Gallons
Crankcase Oil 2,224 Gallons

Sunrise has not been able to locate similar information for any other year.

2c. The bulk of materials were obtained from residential customers. In addition, Sunrise serviced a few small commercial accounts: Sunrise listed as generator and transporter on these manifests.

The bulk of the material was generated from residential and commercial heating oil tank pump outs, either due to tank maintenance, cleanings, removals, or abandonments. A small amount of material was generated from pump outs from small contractors and trucking companies, from equipment maintenance and service.

### COMMERCIAL ACCOUNTS: Sunrise listed as transporter #2 on these manifests:

Barco Systems Inc. 10 Ilene Court, Unit #11 Belle Mead, NJ 08502

Barco, like Sunrise, is a licensed transporter in New Jersey. They pick up oil & water from residential and small commercial accounts. They would hire Sunrise to transport their material when it could not be disposed of in New Jersey, because of facility waiting time being too long. Barco lists themselves as the generator on the manifests for all locations which are not required to have an EPA ID #.

### Sunrise listed as generator and transporter on these manifests:

Franklin Associates Management Corp. 535 Midland Avenue Garfield, NJ 07026

Spill clean up of #2 oil and water from heating oil tank that cap was broken off and, then, subsequent cleaning of tank.

Penn Bottle Co., Inc. 433 Murray Hill Parkway East Rutherford, NJ 07073

Spill clean up of #2 Diesel Fuel and water from tank that cap was knocked off of and, then, subsequent cleaning of tank.

### Sunrise listed as transporter on these manifests:

Mt. Hope Rock Products 625 Mt. Hope Road Wharton, NJ 07885

Disposal of #2 oil and water from cleaning of above ground tanks, that were no longer in use, at the facility.

Penwall Affordable Housing Corp.
Continental Plaza, Lower Concourse
401 Hackensack Avenue
Hackensack, NJ 07601
Disposal of #2 oil from cleaning of heating oil tank.

Frank Taibi & Sons 85 Crooks Avenue Clifton, NJ 07011

Pump out of #2 oil and water generated from Taibi doing service work and maintenance of fuel oil burners and heating oil tanks on his accounts. Taibi is a heating and air conditioning contractor.

Crystal Carting Corp. 90 Midland Avenue Midland Park, NJ 07432

#2 oil and water from pump out of heating oil tank and crank case oil from truck oil changes. All loads were manifested, even though the material disposed of was non-hazardous in New York.

Passaic Valley Water Commission
Union Blyd/Riverview Drive
Totowa, NJ 07424
Pump out of #2 oil from cleaning of heating oil tank.

Garden State Paper Co., Inc. 950 River Drive Garfield, NJ 07026

#2 oil and water from tank and drum pump outs. Also, crank case oil, from plant maintenance of equipment, pumped from drums.

- 2d. #2 oil & water were from heating oil tank pump outs. Crankcase oil was from engine oil changes. Any oils picked up were checked with a Dexsil Test Kit before pumping, to check for PCB's and chlorinated solvents. After pick up and transportation to BCF, loads were then sampled for contents and tested. Every load that Sunrise brought to the facility was tested before it was permitted into the facility for unloading. No Sunrise load was ever rejected. No load was found to contain PCB's or chlorinated solvents. Loads were pumped off at various locations within the BCF facility, per BCF instructions, based on truck contents. (oil/water volume)
- 2e. To the best of my knowledge, Sunrise transported NYDEC permitted material to the licensed BCF facility from its inception through 1994.
- 2f. To the best of my knowledge, Sunrise selected the disposal facility based on it being a licensed facility, permitted to accept the material that was being transported. Sometimes, a commercial or industrial generator would inspect the disposal site and check its licenses and permits before allowing Sunrise to transport the material to the facility.
- 2g. Enclosed are copies of all manifests, shipping papers, and BCF load acceptance tickets that have been located for the year 1994.
- 3a h. Sections 3 a h are not directly applicable to Sunrise, because all manifests that have been provided in Section 2g, that have Sunrise listed as the generator and transporter, were not actually generated by Sunrise, but, in fact, represent pick ups from

various residential customers and small commercial locations. Because the oil and water waste was not a federally regulated hazardous waste, the pick up locations were not required to have a federal EPA ID #. Sunrise used its EPA ID # as the generator and transporter, and, then, attached a waste accumulator sheet, with the names and addresses of the various pick up locations, to the generator copy of the manifests retained by Sunrise.

- 4. Unfortunately, the only person with direct knowledge of the information and documents being requested by the EPA was Peter Wiarda. (now deceased 01/29/99)
- 5a. Occasionally, Sunrise tank vehicles would be cleaned at the customers locations, when deemed necessary. Any liquids and solids would be disposed of with the customers wastes.
- 5b. Yes. Sunrise was involved with tank cleaning of only heating oil/water.
- 5c. Yes. Sunrise was involved in spill clean up of only heating oil/water.
- 5d. To the best of our knowledge, and from the information located to date, Sunrise never transported any materials (oil/water), containing PCBs.
- 5e. To the best of our knowledge, and from the information located to date, Sunrise never transported any materials (oil/water), containing chlorinated solvents.
- 6a b. Enclosed are copies of all insurance policies or information on insurance policies that have been located.
- 7a b. Surrise can not provide copies of financial statements, because we never paid the additional money to the accountant to have them prepared. Surrise also does not maintain any ledgers. The accountant simply uses the check stubs and deposit slips, at the end of the year, to compile our earnings for tax purposes.
- 8. Sunrise is able to produce the last four (4) years of its corporate tax returns, consisting of the years 1999, 1998, 1997, and 1996.
- 9. Sunrise has never been the subject of a bankruptcy filing in its corporate history.

10. The person responsible for the preparation of the enclosed material and responses is:

Peter J. Wiarda, Vice President C/o Sunrise Environmental Service, Inc. PO Box 309 Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

Respectfully submitted,

Peter J. Wiarda, V.P.

SUNRISE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE, INC.

Cc: Thomas Budroe
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Emergency and Remedial Response Division
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### CERTIFICATION OF ANSWERS TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

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I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document (response to EPA Request for Information) and all documents submitted herewith, and that based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate, and complete, and that all documents submitted herewith are complete and authentic unless otherwise indicated. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment. I am also aware that I am under a continuing obligation to supplement my response to EPA's Request for Information if any additional information relevant to the matters addressed in EPA's Request for Information or my response thereto should become known or available to me.

PETER T. LIANDA NAME (print or type)

VICE PRESIDENT TITLE (print or type)

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Sworn to before me this

W<sup>th</sup>day of July , 2000 atnew a Otto

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June 26, 2000

Via Fax and Certified Mail (212) 637-3104

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Re: BCF Oil Refining, Inc. Site

Maspeth Avenue, Brooklyn, NY

Dear Mr. Simon:

By this letter, Sunrise Environmental Service, Inc. ("Sunrise") is responding to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's ("EPA's") offer to perform a remedial action at the BCF Oil Refining, Inc. Site (the "BCF Site") in Brooklyn, New York.

Sunrise is unable, at this time, to commit to participate in the performance or funding of the removal action at the BCF Site. Sunrise's decision not to participate is based on the fact that it is not aware of any information linking the company to the environmental conditions at the BCF Site. Sunrise does not believe it contributed to the release of any hazardous substances or PCBs at the BCF Site.

Additionally, Sunrise is not capable, financially, of assuming responsibility for committing to undertake the removal action at the BCF Site. Sunrise is an individually owned, extremely small company with very limited financial resources. Sunrise has notified it's insurance carriers of the request to participate in the removal action, but has not received any responses.

Sunrise is in the process of gathering the information requested in the EPA's letter and will respond under separate cover.

Nothing in this letter should be taken as an admission of liability on the part of Sunrise. Indeed, Sunrise believes it has various defenses which, if deemed valid, would eliminate its liability in this matter. Nevertheless, Sunrise is not ruling out the possibility of some form of participation in the future.

Very truly yours,

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Cc: **Thomas Budroe** 

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